

DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's amendment and remarks, filed on 03/28/2008, are acknowledged.

Claims 35 – 36, 38 – 44, and 46 – 51 are pending.

2. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given by Applicant's Representative Patrick R.H. Waller in a telephone interview with the Examiner on 06/11/2008.

Examiner's Amendment

3. In claim 36, the phrase "SEQ IS NO: 8" has been replaced with -- SEQ ID NO:8 -- .

4. In claim 39, the phrase "where the antibody" has been replaced with -- wherein the antibody -- .

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5. Applicant's amendment and arguments filed on 03/28/2008 have obviated the previous rejection of record, set forth in the Office Action mailed on 11/26/2007.

Claims 35 – 36, 38 – 44, and 46 – 51 are allowed.

The prior art does not teach or suggest the claimed method of upmodulating adaptive immune response using the recited anti-PD-1 antibodies.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ILIA OUSPENSKI whose telephone number is (571)272-2920. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9 - 5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eileen B. O'Hara can be reached on 571-272-0878. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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